INTERNATIONAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

At the close of the Second International Hospital Congress which met in Vienna from June 8 to 14, the representatives of the 41 countries participating in the Congress voted unanimously to organize an International Hospital Association.

The purpose of the Association is to bring about an international exchange of opinion and international cooperation in all problems and in all fields of hospital work and in all relationships, economic, sociological and hygienic. The Association is composed of two classes of members: ordinary members consisting of national hospital associations and associate members.

The latter comprise individuals associated in one way or another with hospitals or cognate institutions and representatives of firms or organizations standing in a business relationship to the hospitals, such as architects, builders, manufacturers of hospital supplies, merchants and the like.

The associate membership in the International Hospital Association entitles the members not only to free subscription to the "Nosokomeion," the official organ of the Association, and to full participation in the International Hospital Congresses, but above all, to participation in the work of the 10 permanent committees. These committees under the leadership of recognized specialists in various fields will devote their time to working out standards for the guidance of the hospital field throughout the world.

Dr. René Sand is president of the Association and Dr. E. H. Lewinski Corwin is secretary-general and treasurer.